

50X1-HUM

## CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

## INFORMATION REPORT

This Document contains information affecting the National Defense of the United States, within the meaning of Title 18, Sections 793 and 794, of the U.S. Code, as amended. Its transmission or revelation of its contents to or receipt by an unauthorized person is prohibited by law. The reproduction of this form is prohibited.

SECRET/CONTROL - U. S. OFFICIALS ONLY  
SECURITY INFORMATION

COUNTRY	East Germany	REPORT	50X1-HUM
SUBJECT	Poliomyelitis Epidemic	DATE DISTR.	19 October 1953
		NO. OF PAGES	1
DATE OF INFO.		REQUIREMENT NO.	RD
PLACE ACQUIRED		REFERENCES	50X1-HUM

THE SOURCE EVALUATIONS IN THIS REPORT ARE DEFINITIVE.  
THE APPRAISAL OF CONTENT IS TENTATIVE.  
(FOR KEY SEE REVERSE)

50X1-HUM

1. There is now an epidemic of poliomyelitis in East Germany, with the main center of infection in Saxony. Figures are as follows:

Number of cases of confirmed poliomyelitis or of hospital cases in which poliomyelitis is strongly indicated, as of 28 July 1953.

50X1-HUM

<u>Bezirk</u>	<u>No. of cases</u>
Leipzig	183
Chemnitz (Karl-Marx-Stadt)	78
Erfurt	30
Frankfurt/Oder	30
Dresden	27
Berlin	16
Gera	8
Potsdam	5
Cottbus	4
Schwerin	2
Neubrandenburg	2
Rostock	1
Suhl	1

2. A few unspecified small areas in Thuringia near the zonal boundary have been declared closed areas.

SECRET/CONTROL-U. S. OFFICIALS ONLY

STATE	X	ARMY	X	NAVY	X	AIR	X	FBI		AEC							
-------	---	------	---	------	---	-----	---	-----	--	-----	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

(Note: Washington Distribution Indicated By "X", Field Distribution By "#".)